

sister, Amanda Schroeder; and to his extended family members and many friends.

The significant sacrifice, service, bravery, joy and energy that framed the life of Corporal Schroeder will live on as a legacy and testament to all that is good in humanity, and his life will forever be honored and remembered by the Cleveland community, and will always be held close within the hearts and minds of all whom loved him well and knew him best—his family and friends.

TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT PERVEZ
MUSHARRAF OF PAKISTAN

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, President Pervez Musharraf is, quite literally, the "Indispensable Man" in Pakistan politics today—and promises to be one of the most significant and pivotal figures in Pakistan's history.

President Musharraf has transformed Pakistan into a reliable friend of the United States in the global war on terror. Unlike some other friends and putative allies of the United States, Pakistan has sealed its commitment to fight terrorism with the blood of its military forces; over 200 Pakistani soldiers have been killed in combat with al Qaeda, Taliban and other extremists in Pakistan's Northwest Territories in the last two years.

Pakistani authorities have also captured or killed hundreds of foreign terrorists and extremists. The United States has officially designated Pakistan a "major non-NATO ally" in recognition of the importance of Pakistan to the security interests of the United States. President Musharraf himself has survived two assassination attempts by al Qaeda, yet he has refused to back down.

Mr. Speaker, if anyone had any doubts that President Musharraf is a man of vision, they need look no further than the recent and unprecedented meeting between the Israeli and Pakistani foreign ministers in Turkey. This momentous event could well usher in a new era of cooperation and friendship between these two states. All of us should welcome this farsighted action by the Pakistani President. This action, taken in the wake of Israel's disengagement from Gaza, sends a strong signal to the entire Muslim world: It is time for all Muslim-majority states—not only Egypt, Jordan, Turkey and a very few others—to deal openly with Israel and to recognize it. They can make no greater contribution to Middle East peace.

Also, there is now the very real possibility that India and Pakistan may finally begin to put over a half-century of animosity and distrust behind them. This is due in no small measure to the efforts of President Musharraf.

No other figure in Pakistan commands the world-wide respect that its President does, Mr. Speaker. He is moving Pakistan forward to what I hope will be a stable democracy, a peaceful and prosperous country and a reliable and valued partner of the United States in bringing stability, security and peace to the region. All this, if it comes to pass, will be due in large part to the leadership and vision of President Pervez Musharraf.

A TRIBUTE TO THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY AND THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Thomas Jefferson University and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital on the occasion of its Annual Awards Gala. Jefferson hospital has provided the best in health care services to countless citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The university and hospital have improved the lives of people in our region and across the nation through their research and educational programs. I applaud this remarkable institution as it leads the way to better lives in the 21st century.

It's hard to think of Jefferson without being reminded of the extraordinary contributions of two people who will be honored at the Gala this year: Dorrance H. Hamilton, who will receive the Award of Merit, and Dr. Francis E. Rosato who will receive the Achievement Award in Medicine. I give them my congratulations and my very best wishes. They and Jefferson are to be commended for a job well done, and for providing inspiration to all of us. I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues rise to congratulate these exceptional individuals.

DR. BYRON P. STEELE II

HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

Mr. CUELLAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Byron P. Steele II for his contributions to our community that have led to the dedication of a high school in his name.

Dr. Steele is a native Texan with a love for horses, ranching, fishing, and hunting. He has spent his entire life in the greater San Antonio area, devoting nearly his entire career to the teaching community and the students of Texas.

In August 1957, Dr. Steele began that teaching career at Collins Garden Elementary School, in the San Antonio Independent School District. While teaching, Dr. Steele worked toward his Master of Education Degree at night.

From 1965 to 1968, Dr. Steele directed the Bexar County Head Start Program, designed to provide low-income preschoolers with a comprehensive program to meet all their needs. Dr. Steele is one of the pioneers of this program, which largely owes its success to these early designers.

Dr. Steele then returned to public education and became a principal at the elementary, junior high school, and high school levels. He then went on to earn his doctorate before becoming the superintendent of Malone ISD, then Devine ISD, and finally the Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City ISD, where he remained for eighteen years.

At the request of the community, and as a tribute to his devotion to the students of Texas

and the SCUCISD, the school board has decided to name the school district's second high school after Dr. Steele.

One can never underestimate the value and importance of our teachers and schools, which guide our children from a very young age into adulthood. I am honored to come here today to recognize Dr. Steele's contributions to our community, and I offer Steele High School my best wishes as it begins to carry on the legacy of this great Texan.

TRIBUTE TO TERENCE LIONEL
MARTIN OF RICHMOND, CA

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to a true hero, Terence Lionel Martin, of Richmond, California, and call attention to the valiant actions that led to his tragic death on August 23, 2005.

Raised in Richmond, Terence was known throughout the community as a born leader, a "peacemaker" and a "problem solver." The son of Clara and Lonnie Martin, Terence, known as Terry by his friends, followed his parents' career path to work with the West Contra Costa School District. He had been a valued employee for 22 years and an esteemed member of our community.

It was his natural "peacemaker" instinct that he acted upon while driving home from work one day this past August. Mr. Martin spotted a young man beating his pregnant, sixteen-year-old girlfriend. Without regard for his own safety, Mr. Martin pulled over, demanded the young man stop and offered his assistance to the young woman. The young man pulled out a gun and shot and killed Terence, just blocks away from his workplace. The community was shaken by this senseless killing and is poorer for this loss. In Terence's name, I ask my colleagues to join me in recommitting ourselves to the principles of peace and safety on our city streets.

Terence Martin is survived by his parents, his sister Sharon Johnson, his young daughter Brittney Martin, his extended family, and many treasured friends. To all of Terence's family and friends, I offer my sincere condolences and hope that you are comforted by knowing that he died trying to make a difference, that he was truly respected and loved by so many and that he will not be forgotten.

A TRIBUTE TO LARRY MAGID AND HIS STAFF AT ELECTRIC FACTORY CONCERTS

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Larry Magid and his staff at Electric Factory Concerts. On July 2, 2005 Larry Magid and his staff at Electric Factory Concerts produced the U.S. portion of LIVE 8, a concert to help eliminate poverty in Africa. Over a million people gathered on Philadelphia's Benjamin Franklin Parkway, to watch